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SUBJECT: MARINE SECURITY DETACHMENT AT LAJES

1. THE CNO IS REQUESTING THAT COMMANDANT MARINE CORPS WITHDRAW THE MARINE SECURITY DETACHMENT WHICH HAS BEEN ASSIGNED AT LAJES. TRANSFER OF THE MARINE PERSONNEL IS EXPECTED TO TAKE PLACE IMMEDIATELY. COMMANDANT MARINE CORPS WILL ADVISE ALL CONCERNED, INCLUDING EMBASSY, OF TIMING FOR WITHDRAWAL.

2. US AUTHORITIES AT LAJES ARE BEING INSTRUCTED TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING ANNOUNCEMENT: AS PART OF ITS CONTINUING WORLD-WIDE EVALUATION OF FACILITIES, FUNCTIONS AND PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS, THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE HAS AUTHORIZED WITHDRAWAL OF THE SMALL MARINE SECURITY DETACHMENT AT LAJES FIELD. THE APPROXIMATELY 30 PERSONNEL INVOLVED ARE BEING REASSIGNED TO OTHER COMMANDS.

3. EMBASSY WILL BE ADVISED WHEN FOREGOING ANNOUNCEMENT
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